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Title: LOW PRESSURE CVD APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A THIN FILM

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated April 19, 2004 of the above-identified U.S. patent application, which included an Interview Summaries by the Examiner, please accept applicants statement of the substance of the interview.

On April 12, 2004, the Examiner called applicants to discuss claim 1. He indicated that claims 1-7 would be allowable if independent claim 1, directed to a low pressure CVD apparatus, were to be amended. The Examiner proposed to amend in claim 1 the term "honeycombstructure cylindrical fillers" to "metal honeycomb-structure cylindrical fillers", essentially combining claim 9 into claim 1. The Examiner indicated that this amendment would place the application in condition for allowance. Applicants responded that they appreciated the Examiner's telephone call and would contact the Examiner after having determined whether this amendment was acceptable. Applicants contacted the Examiner on April 14, 2004 confirming that the amendment the Examiner proposed on April 12, 2004 was acceptable. The amendment

to claim 1 and the cancellation of claim 9 as reflected in the Examiner's Amendment dated April 19, 2004 are therefore acceptable to applicants.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's Notice of Allowance of the above-identified U.S. patent application.

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